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Sir:

PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a one-month extension of time for filing a response to the November 4, 2008 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. The fee for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) is one-hundred and thirty dollars (\$130.00) and a check for this amount is enclosed. With a one-month extension of time, a response to the November 4, 2008 Final Office Action is due March 4, 2009. Accordingly, the subject application is pending today for the purpose of filing a Notice of Appeal.

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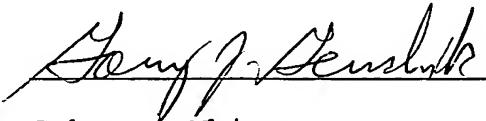
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No fee, other than the enclosed fee of \$130.00, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any fee is required authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

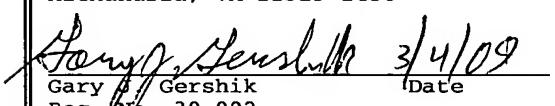
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